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Rapid River News!

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From L.R.B.O.I.



(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied to the Ogema concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business.)

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Click here for LRBOI Job Postings
<http://www.lrboi.com/hr/index.html>

Click here for LRCR Employment
<http://www.lrcr.com/employment.html>

Interior Designers or Landscape Designer opportunity. "Seeking professional qualifications of LRBOI members who are experienced in commercial interior design or landscape design. Please contact Frank Bednarek at 231.722.3407, or submit professional qualifications to Hooker DeJong Architects & Engineers. Information about our firm, including our mailing and email addresses, can be found at www.hookerdejong.com." This notice is provided as a courtesy to our members and does not indicate any relationship or endorsement of the company.

Fall Presentation. The Natural Resource Commission has scheduled their fall presentation for August 8th at the New Community Center. The presentation from noon until 3 p.m., will include lunch, information on Natural Resource Departments programs and the drawing for the Bear and Elk Permits for 2009.

For more information call Bonnie Harnish or Peggy Vreisman
Phone: 231-723-1594 Toll Free: 1-866-723-1594



LRBOI joins United Tribes of Michigan! By Resolution, Tribal Council, with the concurrence of the Ogema, on July 29th voted to join the United Tribes of Michigan. This move will bring us into a formal relationship with the other 11 tribes in the state that will be beneficial to all Indian people in the state.



August Budget meeting
re-scheduled to the 15th!

The annual budget meeting
has been moved to 10 a.m.
on August 15th at the old
Community Center.



Tribal ID Cards. The Enrollment Department will have their camera set up to take the New Tribal I.D.'s at the Fall Meeting. Make sure you bring your old I.D. to turn in.

Board of Directors meetings

August 21st, 2009 Board of
Directors Open Session to be held in
the Grand River Room in the
Casino at 4:00 p.m.

Tribal Directory:

The Enrollment Department has sent out letters to all Tribal Members 18 and above, letting them know that a Tribal Directory is being worked on. If you do not want your name in this Directory, please send a letter to the Enrollment Department, otherwise, your name will be included in the Directory. They hope to have them ready by the Fall meeting.

Two Internships Left for FY 2009 . The main objective of the Internship program component of the Commerce Department's Workforce Development Program is to provide practical work experience as the main objective. The program can still be worked through a potential intern's academic office when possible and to provide the intern with credit hours when feasible. However, the internship is not a requirement of the intern's degree program as an eligibility criteria for participation in the program. All participants in the internship program must be enrolled in college and the internship must be with the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (LRBOI) in a Tribal Government Department.

The Commerce Department's Workforce Development Program has two internship slots left for FY 2009. We are looking for LRBOI Tribal Members and Tribal Preference Students who may be interested in a paid internship of 240 hours at \$10.00 per hour. In order to qualify for an internship, the applicant must be an enrolled LRBOI Tribal Citizen and at least 18 years of age. The applicant must have a 2.75 cumulative GPA

and must be enrolled in a degree program at an accredited college or university.

Tribal Members interested in this "earn while you learn" program must be enrolled in the Workforce Development Program by completing an Application for Programs form and an Internship Application. Proof of college enrollment must also be provided, such as a Grade Report from the applicants' college or university.

Contact Workforce Development Specialist David Hawley if you are interested at 231-398-6842 or toll-free 1-888-723-8288 ext. 6842 or e-mail dhawley@lrboi.com.

[Click here http://www.lrboi.com/commerce/docs/WFDP/2009%20WFD%20Programs.pdf](http://www.lrboi.com/commerce/docs/WFDP/2009%20WFD%20Programs.pdf)

<http://www.lrboi.com/commerce/>

Tribal Committee/Commission openings. The following is a list of commission seats currently available and also seats that will be open as of September 20, 2009.

Commerce Commission	3 current openings	1 opening as of 9/20
Gaming Commission	1 current opening	1 opening as of 9/20
Housing Commission		3 openings as of 9/20
Binojeeuk Commission	4 current openings	1 opening as of 9/20
Enrollment Commission		4 openings as of 9/20
Health Commission		2 openings as of 9/20
NR Commission	1 current opening	1 opening as of 9/20

Anyone interested in serving on any of the above commissions need to submit a letter of interest to the Ogema's office. Thanks

Ogema Meet-N-Greet! On Friday evening (September 11th), Ogema Larry Romanelli will hold his regular membership meet-n-greet at the Three Fires Conference Center beginning at 6 p.m.

Fall Membership Meeting! Be sure and mark your calendars for the next Membership Meeting on September 12th.

(Kateri Circle)

That is not our way, to set yourself apart and talk about who you are and what you've done. You let your life speak for you. With the Mohawk people, wisdom is how you live and how you interpret what your mother and father, what your grandmothers and grandfathers have told you about this world - and then how you interpret that into the fact of living every day."

--Tom Porter, MOHAWK

It is said, how you live your life makes so much noise that people can't hear what you are saying anyway. It is so easy to see people who do not walk the talk.

- Creator, I ask you today to help me be humble. Let me spend the day listening. Help me to not brag or gossip. Help me today not to do those things that seek attention or approval from others. I am only accountable to You, Oh Great Spirit. You will tell me the things I need to know. Let me learn the lessons from my Elders. Let me teach the children by example. Today, let me walk the talk.



The LRBOI Elders met on August 1st and had these notes for everyone:

- * Contact Information for: Manistee Insurance Agency Steve Fredericks, agent 1-800-968-6215 or 231-723-2566
- * Don't forget: We still need quotes for the 2010 Elders monthly meeting meals Call June Sam at 231-398-6709.
- * September Meeting will be held at the New Community Center on Dontz Road Meal furnished by the Casino.
- * Elders Conference scheduled for October 24th and 25th at the Little River Casino Resort. Contact June Sam at 398-6709 for reservations. No mileage will be paid but other expenses will be covered.

Border Crossing & Tribal ID's: The US Customs and Border Patrol office confirmed with Public Affairs last week that Tribal ID cards will not be sufficient for border crossings. They said that to cross the border (and come back) you must have a Passport. Your local Post Office processes passport applications.

LTBB Change in Leadership.

Longtime Chairman Frank Ettawageshik lost his re-election bid last week in Petoskey. Details and results will appear in the next Currents.



Hazardous Waste Day!
August 15th is the day to get rid of all those nasty chemicals, paints and stuff that have been piling up at your house.

MANISTEE COUNTY
MANISTEE ROAD
COMMISSION
8946 CHIPPEWA HWY.
BEAR LAKE, MI. 49614
FOR MORE INFO CALL
231-889-4761

MASON COUNTY
MASON CO. ROAD
COMMISSION
510 E. STATE STREET
SCOTTVILLE, MI. 49454
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
231-757-3708 EXT.3

OCEANA COUNTY
HART DPW
1010 STATE STREET
HART, MI. 49420
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
231-861-4967

Come and Join us for Our Monthly Peacemaking Talking Circle



The topic of this month's Talking Circle is "Walking in Two Worlds" Traditions in our everyday lives (This topic was from May 27, 2009, that meeting was canceled)



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
PEACEMAKING/PROBATION DEPARTMENT**
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Talking Circle meeting scheduled!
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Wenesh pii (when).....August 31th at 5:30pm

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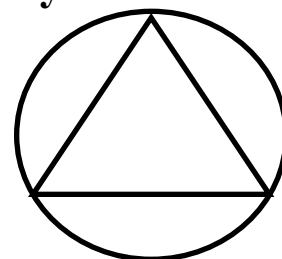


LRBOI Gathering Grounds, 2811 Chippewa Hwy.,
Manistee, Michigan 49660

August 21-23, 2009 (starting at 4p.m. Friday)

HIS & HERS
GOOD FELLOWSHIP
AA GROUP
PRESENTS

FREE ADMISSION



Conference Activities:

On -Site Camping
Meetings (open recovery)
Sobriety Countdown
Bonfire Meeting
Sunrise Ceremony

Meals

Open Speaker Meetings
Talking Circle
Youth Activities and Music
Sweat Lodge

REGISTRATION

DONATIONS ACCEPTED & APPRECIATED

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Total Number in your party: _____

Please select all that you will be requiring:

of tent sites: _____ (off site Lodging at own expense; call for local listings)

Meals on site: FRIDAY DINNER ____ YES ____ NO SEATING FOR: _____

SATURDAY BREAKFAST ____ YES ____ NO LUNCH ____ YES ____ NO FEAST ____ YES ____
NO SEATING FOR: _____

SUNDAY BREAKFAST ____ YES ____ NO LUNCH ____ YES ____ NO FEAST ____ YES ____
NO SEATING FOR: _____

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Mail to: 244 5th Ave.

Manistee, Michigan 49660

Please bring: camping equipment, bug spray, sunscreen, own chairs
& coolers, and drums. Communities are encouraged to bring Eagle
Staffs and/ or Tribal Flags. PETS must be on a leash at all times.

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If you have any specific questions, ideas or comments regarding this information, please address them to:
The Office of Public Affairs, LRBOI, 375 River Street, Manistee, MI. 49660. 231-398-6840.

Or send them direct to currentcomments@lrboi.com.

Your comments will be forwarded to the right person at the tribal government within 24 hours.